RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Application No.: 10/543,099

REMARKS

Attorney Docket No.: Q74015

In response to the Restriction Requirement, dated September 26, 2007, applicants elect

Group II, claims 2-10, for examination in the present application. This election is made without

traverse.

The Examiner points out that claims 4-10 and 18 are improper multiple dependent claims.

In response, applicants have amended 4-7 to depend from claim 2 only, have amended claim 8 to

depend from claim 6 only, have amended claims 9 and 10 to depend from claim 7 only, and have

amended claim 18 to depend from claim 14 only.

The present application, as originally filed, contains a number of other multiple

dependent claims. Applicants have amended these claims to place them in singly dependent

form. In addition, applicants have amended claim 5 to define powder B as an oxide powder, and

have amended claim 7 to recite that powder B is brought into the flame.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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